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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 19, 2010, in which the Examiner applied a restriction requirement, Applicants elect to prosecute Claims 1-5 and 14 (all in part) and claims 6-10, 13 and 15-27 (Group I) without traverse.

If a telephonic interview with the Applicants' undersigned representative would be helpful in resolving any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (651) 736-7430.

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